

Appln. No. 09/871,450
Response dated December 16, 2005
Reply to Office Action of November 16, 2005

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

The November 16, 2005 Office Action and the Examiner's comments have been carefully considered. In response, an election of species is made, and remarks are set forth below responsive to the November 16, 2005 Office Action.

ELECTION

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement set forth in Item #1 on page 2 of the Office Action, Applicants hereby elect Group I corresponding to claims 46-51 drawn to an apparatus/delivery device for further prosecution on the merits without traverse.

In addition, Applicant elects the species of Fig. 5. Claims 46-51 are readable on the elected species.

Upon allowance of a generic claim, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider all claims which depend therefrom or which otherwise include the limitations thereof.

It is respectfully submitted that this submission is fully responsive to the Office Action dated November 11, 2005. It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits now proceed on the basis of the election set forth hereinabove.

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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number listed below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,



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